



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service

Agriculture in Idaho

Cooperating with the Idaho State Department of Agriculture

Idaho Field Office • PO Box 1699 • Boise, Idaho 83701

(800) 691-9987 • (208) 334-1507 • (208) 334-1114 FAX • www.nass.usda.gov



Issue: 8-11

Released: April 27, 2011

IN THIS ISSUE:

Milk Production

Potato Stocks

Cattle on Feed

Trout Production

Red Meat Production

Idaho Monthly Milk Production Up 3.7 Percent

Idaho milk production during March 2011 totaled 1.08 million pounds, a 3.7 percent increase from the same month last year, and up 11.7 percent from February 2011. Average milk production per cow in March 2011 was 1,880 pounds, unchanged from last year's level. The average number of milk cows during March was 575,000 head, up 21,000 from March 2010, and up 2,000 head from February 2011.

Milk production in the 23 major States during March totaled 15.8 billion pounds, up 2.4 percent from March 2010.

February revised production at 14.0 billion pounds, was up 2.3 percent from February 2010. The February revision represented a decrease of 14 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,872 pounds for March, 24 pounds above March 2010. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.42 million head, 93,000 head more than March 2010, and 17,000 head more than February 2011.

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, March 2010-2011

State	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		Change From 2010
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	170	187	2,180	2,155	371	403	8.6
California	1,758	1,759	1,980	2,040	3,481	3,588	3.1
Colorado	116	125	2,000	2,015	232	252	8.6
Florida	113	118	1,820	1,860	206	219	6.3
Idaho	554	575	1,880	1,880	1,042	1,081	3.7
Illinois	101	98	1,715	1,715	173	168	-2.9
Indiana	169	171	1,765	1,770	298	303	1.7
Iowa	210	209	1,775	1,825	373	381	2.1
Kansas	116	121	1,820	1,845	211	223	5.7
Michigan	357	362	1,990	1,975	710	715	0.7
Minnesota	470	471	1,675	1,645	787	775	-1.5
Missouri	101	94	1,295	1,340	131	126	-3.8
New Mexico	321	325	2,105	2,150	676	699	3.4
New York	610	610	1,755	1,810	1,071	1,104	3.1
Ohio	272	271	1,690	1,680	460	455	-1.1
Oregon	115	119	1,760	1,760	202	209	3.5
Pennsylvania	541	543	1,730	1,710	936	929	-0.7
Texas	410	426	1,890	1,945	775	829	7.0
Utah	85	87	1,810	1,770	154	154	-
Vermont	136	135	1,595	1,635	217	221	1.8
Virginia	95	96	1,570	1,615	149	155	4.0
Washington	249	254	2,025	2,025	504	514	2.0
Wisconsin	1,260	1,266	1,770	1,785	2,230	2,260	1.3
23 State Total	8,329	8,422	1,848	1,872	15,389	15,763	2.4

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

April Potato Stocks

Potato stocks held by growers, dealers, and processors in Idaho on April 1 totaled 42.5 million cwt, 10.5 million cwt less than on hand April 1, 2010. This is the lowest April 1 stocks level since 1990. Disappearance, at 71.9 million cwt is down from last year's 79.5 million cwt. Stocks in the 10 Southwest counties totaled 1.50 million cwt, down from last year's 2.00 million cwt. The Other counties' stocks, at 41.0 million cwt, were down from the 51.0 million cwt stored on April 1, 2010.

Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 106 million cwt of potatoes in storage April 1, 2011, down 18 percent from a year ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 30 percent of the 2010 fall storage States' production, four percentage points below April 1, 2010. Potato disappearance, at 246 million cwt, was 4 percent below April 1, 2010. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 20.4 million cwt, was down 16 percent from the same date in 2010.

Fall Potatoes Production & Stocks, Crop Years 2005-2010, Idaho & 13 Fall States Total 1/

CROP YEAR	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS						
		DEC 1	FOLLOWING YEAR					
			JAN 1	FEB 1	MAR 1	APR 1	MAY 1	JUN 1
IDAHO	1,000 Cwt							
2005	118,288	85,000	75,500	66,000	56,000	43,500	31,000	18,500
2006	128,915	90,000	80,000	70,000	59,500	46,500	33,000	21,000
2007	130,010	92,000	82,000	71,500	60,500	49,000	35,000	23,000
2008	116,475	85,000	75,500	66,000	56,500	45,000	32,500	21,000
2009	132,500	98,000	88,500	78,500	67,500	53,000	38,500	25,500
2010	114,440	82,500	73,500	64,000	54,500	42,500		
13 States 1/								
2005	375,118	253,800	220,500	189,100	155,500	115,700	75,900	41,560
2006	389,527	258,900	225,800	192,200	159,500	120,900	79,050	44,460
2007	397,753	265,500	232,300	199,300	163,400	125,500	83,960	50,420
2008	369,866	243,700	213,200	183,900	152,700	115,800	78,100	45,300
2009	383,962	265,800	234,300	203,500	169,700	128,700	89,610	55,120
2010	351,413	234,700	204,500	175,700	143,200	105,600		

1/ See table below for listing of 13 states.

Production and Total Stocks of Fall Potatoes Held by Growers, Processors, and Local Dealers on April 1, 2010 and April 1, 2011 ^{1/}

STATE	CROP OF 2009			CROP OF 2010		
	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS APRIL 1, 2010	APRIL 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS APRIL 1, 2011	APRIL 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION
	<u>1,000 Cwt</u>		<u>Percent</u>	<u>1,000 Cwt</u>		<u>Percent</u>
California	3,960	800	20	2,280	600	26
Colorado	22,080	8,100	37	21,528	7,200	33
Idaho	132,500	53,000	40	114,440	42,500	37
Maine	15,263	6,000	39	15,892	6,000	38
Michigan	15,660	1,700	11	15,660	2,300	15
Minnesota	20,700	6,800	33	17,010	5,500	32
Montana	3,298	2,100	64	3,673	2,200	60
Nebraska	8,756	2,200	25	7,719	2,100	27
New York	4,950	500	10	5,120	500	10
North Dakota	19,125	5,000	26	22,000	5,900	27
Oregon	21,460	8,000	37	20,058	7,700	38
Washington	87,230	27,100	31	81,740	17,800	22
Wisconsin	28,980	7,400	26	24,293	5,300	22
13 STATES	383,962	128,700	34	351,413	105,600	30
Klamath Basin 2/		1,300			1,200	

1/ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2010 totaled 23.7 million cwt. 2/ Includes potato stocks in CA and Klamath Co., OR.

Idaho Cattle on Feed Up 7 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on April 1, 2011 totaled 220,000 head, up 7 percent from the previous year. The cattle on feed inventory is unchanged from March 1, 2011. Placements of cattle in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during March totaled 35,000 head, up 1,000 head from March 2010 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during March totaled 34,000 head, up 11,000 head from a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head during March.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on April 1, 2011. The inventory was 5 percent above April 1, 2010. The inventory included 7.12 million steers and steer calves, up 7 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 63 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.10 million head, up 2 percent from 2010. Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.92 million, 3 percent above 2010. Net placements were 1.87 million head. During March, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 380,000, 600-699 pounds were 360,000, 700-799 pounds were 588,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 590,000. Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 1.99 million, 4 percent above 2010. This is the second highest fed cattle marketings for the month of March since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 52,000 during March, 13 percent below 2010.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

State	April 1, 2010	March 1, 2011	April 1, 2011		
			Number	As % of 2010	As % of March
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	278	269	282	101	105
California	415	460	450	108	98
Colorado	930	1,070	1,090	117	102
Idaho	205	220	220	107	100
Iowa	600	650	650	108	100
Kansas	2,240	2,220	2,190	98	99
Nebraska	2,290	2,430	2,380	104	98
Oklahoma	340	360	355	104	99
South Dakota	235	265	265	113	100
Texas	2,640	2,840	2,780	105	98
Washington	171	208	211	123	101
Other States	398	407	404	102	99
United States	10,742	11,399	11,277	105	99

Idaho Foodsize Trout Sales Decreased in 2010

Idaho food size trout (trout 12 inches and longer) sales during 2010 totaled \$33.8 million, down 6.0 percent from the \$36.0 million in 2009. The number of food size fish sold was 28.5 million, down 4.4 percent from the 29.8 million sold a year ago. Total pounds sold in 2010 were 32.8 million pounds, compared to 35.6 million pounds in 2009. Average price per pound for food size trout was \$1.03, up from \$1.01 in 2009.

Nationally, the number of trout 12 inches and longer sold during 2010 totaled 38.7 million fish, down 5 percent from the previous year. The average price per pound was \$1.39, up 1 cent from 2009. The value of sales for the 2010 marketing year was \$63.1 million, down 6 percent from 2009. For trout 12 inches or longer, 64 percent were sold to processors and 17 percent were sold for recreational stocking.

The total value of fish sales received by trout growers in the United States totaled \$71.3 million for 2010, a decrease of 5 percent from 2009. Idaho accounted for 49 percent of the total value of fish sold.

Idaho March Red Meat Production Down 22 Percent from Last Year

Commercial red meat production at Idaho packing plants for March 2011 totaled 13.4 million pounds, down 22 percent from March of last year. Accumulated red meat production for the January-March 2011 period totaled 41.5 million pounds, down 18 percent from the comparable period a year earlier.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.35 billion pounds in March, up 2 percent from the 4.28 billion pounds produced in March 2010. Beef production, at 2.27 billion pounds, was 2 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.96 million head, up 2 percent from March 2010. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from the previous year, at 1,276 pounds. Veal production totaled 12.1 million pounds, 1 percent below March a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 72,900 head, down 9 percent from March 2010. The average live weight was up 24 pounds from last year, at 283 pounds. Pork production totaled 2.05 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.87 million head, down 2 percent from March 2010. The average live weight was up 6 pounds from the previous year, at 278 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 14.1 million pounds, was down 20 percent from March 2010. Sheep slaughter totaled 193,900 head, 26 percent below last year. The average live weight was 146 pounds, up 11 pounds from March a year ago. January to March 2011 commercial red meat production was 12.2 billion pounds, up 2 percent from 2010. Accumulated beef production was up 3 percent from last year, veal was down 3 percent, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 16 percent.

Commercial Red Meat Production, Selected States and United States ^{1/}

State	March 2010	February 2011	March 2011	March 2011 as As Percent Of 2010 ^{2/}
	<i>Million Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>
California	148.1	139.8	154.7	104
Colorado	193.8	168.9	191.4	99
Idaho	17.3	12.9	13.4	78
Illinois	240.2	199.3	237.9	99
Iowa	623.6	516.5	600.1	96
Kansas	442.0	410.3	459.1	104
Minnesota	233.1	210.8	239.3	103
Montana	0.9	1.0	1.0	105
Nebraska	596.8	549.6	609.1	102
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	129
Oklahoma	102.2	97.9	115.4	113
Oregon	4.9	4.8	5.9	122
South Dakota	89.6	85.7	95.7	107
Texas	415.9	386.9	453.8	109
Utah	39.2	35.7	38.0	97
Washington	74.4	64.0	72.8	98
Wyoming	0.4	0.4	0.5	112
United States	4,281.1	3,811.3	4,347.0	102

1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton. 2/ Percentages based on unrounded data.